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Dear Mr. Jaffe:

Please support the petition to ban the forced molting of layer hens. The livestock industry is inherently cruel, and we must hold them accountable for their actions toward these sentient beings. Forced molting is torture for the animals, is inhumane and socially unacceptable. No creature should have their food or water withheld for more than 24 hours. Also, all creatures should be housed in appropriate settings. The cramped cages that chickens are housed in, cramming them full to maximize the flock, is deplorable. It is also not conducive to producing quality product for the population. Animals that are stressed in this manner are more susceptible to disease and infection, thus providing a greater risk to the consumer. Please support docket 98P-0203/CP, and do all that you can to end this suffering. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

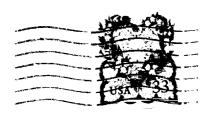
Sincerely,

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